(d) A completed Disposal Facility Certification Form (Appendix E to this part) for an individual transaction, which includes a certification by the disposal facility that the trade-in vehicle will be crushed or shredded within 180 days of receipt by the disposal facility, is deemed to be amended to include an extension of time such that the trade-in vehicle will be crushed or shredded within 270 days of receipt by the disposal facility.

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#### § 599.402 Requirements and limitations for salvage auctions that are consigned trade-in vehicles under the CARS program.

- (a) The salvage auction must:
- (1) Within 3 days after the date the dealer consigns the vehicle or prior to auctioning the vehicle, whichever is earlier, report the status of the vehicle to NMVTIS;
- (2) Limit participation in the auction to disposal facilities that, when the auction is held:
- (i) Appear on the list identified in §599.201(a)(2) or are described in §599.201(a)(3); and
- (ii) Agree to make the certifications in the Salvage Auction Certification Form (Appendix F to this part).
- (3) As a condition of transferring title to the disposal facility, obtain from that facility the signed Disposal Facility Certification Form (Appendix E to this part), insert on the top of the form the appropriate CARS invoice number received from the dealer, if known, and provide the form to NHTSA at disposal@cars.gov, and include that invoice number in the email subject line.
  - (b) [Reserved]

# § 599.403 Requirements and limitations for dealers.

A dealer receiving a Disposal Facility Certification Form or Salvage Auction Certification Form under §599.400(b)(2) or (c)(2) shall insert on the top of the form the appropriate CARS invoice number, if known, and within 7 days of receipt, submit such certification form to NHTSA at disposal@cars.gov.

## **Subpart E—Enforcement**

#### §599.500 Definitions.

As used in this subpart—

Administrator means the Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, or his or her designee.

Chief Counsel means the NHTSA Chief Counsel, or his or her designee.

Hearing Officer means a NHTSA employee who has been delegated the authority to assess civil penalties.

NHTSA Enforcement means the NHTSA Associate Administrator for Enforcement, or his or her designee.

Notice of violation means a notification of violation and preliminary assessment of penalty issued by the Chief Counsel to a party.

Party means the person alleged to have committed a violation of the CARS Act, regulations thereunder, or other applicable law, and includes an individual, a public or private corporation, and a partnership or other association.

Violation means any non-conformance with the CARS Act or the regulations in this part except §599.200(e)(1)(i) and §599.201(c)(1), the submission of incomplete or inaccurate information to NHTSA or an entity identified under this part, or the failure to maintain records, to permit access to records or to update information that has been submitted to NHTSA under this part, but does not include a clerical error. In the context of dealer registration and disposal facility or salvage auction participation eligibility, violation also includes any conviction of a crime involving motor vehicles or any fraud or financial crime under State or Federal

## § 599.501 Generally.

The provisions of 5 U.S.C. 554, 556 and 557 do not apply to any proceedings conducted pursuant to this subpart.

## §599.502 Record retention.

(a) Manufacturers, dealers, salvage auctions, and disposal facilities shall keep records of all transactions under the CARS Act and regulations thereunder for a period of five calendar years from the date on which they were